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The translations of these references do not appear to change the significance of these references as they were discussed when originally cited. However, it is noted that Japanese Pat. doc. + abstracts for No. 2-174,123 ; 3-24,259 ; SHO-57-9448 ; and SHO-57-193,291 are missing from the patent file, hence their figures can not be viewed while reading their translations.

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